

Monday, July 14, 1997

1000 hrs. the writer called the Shelby County Correctional Center at 385-5105 and spoke with Bruce Archdeacon in regards to setting up an interview with Billy Wayne Voyles. Mr. Archdeacon advised that he would check and see if Voyles could leave the property for an interview or if one would have to be made at the SCCC and get back with me.

1021 hrs. Mr. Archdeacon called and advised that due to Voyles's "Level 7" status he could not be released from the SCCC property for an interview. Mr. Archdeacon advised that he would set up an interview in a conference room and inquired as to what time we would be there. The writer advised that investigators would be at the SCCC at 12:00 PM and Mr. Archdeacon advised that he would notify J-Block A-Dorm where he is being housed.

1149 hrs. the writer and Sgt. Helldorfer arrived at SCCC.

1153 hrs. we were met by Mr. Archdeacon and taken to his office to wait for Voyles to be brought up for an interview.

1205 hrs. Billy Wayne Voyles was brought to the Internal Affairs Conference Room and he was advised as to why he was brought there.

1208 Voyles signed a waiver of rights and advised that he would talk to investigators because he was not involved in any robbery or kidnapping.

1210 hrs. an oral interview began with Billy Wayne Voyles, Jr. who gave the following personal information: DOB [REDACTED], HA [REDACTED], Memphis, Tn., HP# [REDACTED] SS# [REDACTED] WI. D&B Construction, [REDACTED] Marriion, Ark., [REDACTED]

Voyles advised that he has not been to Tennessee in the past two years because he was on the run for a violation of parole warrant. He advised that he has been doing construction work, framing houses for D&B Construction. He gave the following people to verify that information:

Bobby Green, his boss, HP# [REDACTED] Mobile# [REDACTED]  
James Fleming, April Baldwin, Jeff Strickland (his room mate),  
William Jones, Andy Jones, Ray Cecil and David Persons. HP# [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Mobile# [REDACTED] All live in the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] in Westb Memphis, Ark. except Persons and Green.

Voyles advised that he has not been to the Memphis Inn and does not know a Ricci Ellsworth or a Michael Rimmer. He advised that he did not recognize the 1988 Honda Accord that Rimmer was arrested in while speeding in Franklin, Ind.. Voyles was shown all the photo spreads labeled AA through GG and advised that he only recognized himself, photo spread AA #5. Voyles was shown photos of both Ricci Ellsworth and Michael Rimmer and he advised that he has never seen any of the two before.

The writer inquired as to if he would give a statement of denial and Voyles advised that he would.

1230 hrs. a handwritten statement was obtained from Billy Wayne Voyles denying any participation of a Robbery/Kidnapping of Ricci Ellsworth.

1305 hrs. Voyles read and signed the handwritten statement.

1320 hrs. Voyles was released back to SCCC and investigators left the Correctional Center in route to the office.